

2007 Gaps Analysis County Profile: Aitkin County

Part 1: Home and Community Based Long Term Care Services: Change in Services

Services where Aitkin County has *added, expanded or improved* the service

Non-County Case Management
Transportation

Services where Aitkin County has *decreased or eliminated* the service

None

Part 2: Home and Community Based Long Term Care Services: Overall Service Capacity

Services that are *not available*

Non-County Information/Referral and Assistance
TBI Structured Day Program

Services that are *limited* (Populations affected are reported in parentheses)

Behavioral Programming (All Populations)
Chore Service (All Populations)
Crisis Consultation from Public/Private Vendor (All Populations)
Crisis Respite Bed Services from Public/Private Vendor (All Populations)
Day Training and Habilitation/Prevocational Services (Age 22 - 64 on a waiver, Age 22 - 64 not on a waiver)
Employment Opportunities Promoting Meaningful Jobs, Careers, Self-Sufficiency (All Populations)
Supportive Employment (Age 65 and older, Under age 65)
Training and Support Services (All Populations)
Transitional Services/Housing Access Coordination (Under age 65 on a waiver, Under age 65 not on a waiver)
Transportation (All Populations)

Services that *exceed demand*

None

What issues/barriers are currently most critical to overcome in Aitkin County to ensure that persons of all ages and disabilities have home and community-based support options?

Increased provider rates for agencies willing to provide service in isolated areas

Highest Priority for HCBS Development:

Provider availability rate schedules that cover the costs of long windshield times.

Part 3: Housing Options

Has there been any new development of Housing and/or Housing/Service Arrangements for persons of all ages and disabilities in the past two years?

Yes

of New Buildings: 3
of New Units: ?

Resources for Accessible Housing

Resources for Accessible Housing that are *not available*

Available resources (i.e., Housing Link) used to track available, accessible and affordable units

Resources for Accessible Housing that are *limited*

Local builders/contractors willing to take on accessibility modifications
Adequate reimbursement under the waiver plans for needed modifications
Subsidies for low-income persons who need home modifications

Resources for Accessible Housing that *exceed demand*

None

Housing Options

Housing Options that are *not available*

None

Housing Options that are *limited*

Market rate rental apartments with no services
Market rate rental apartments with support services only
Subsidized rental apartments with supervision/health care services
Market Rate rental apartments with supervision/health care services
Other subsidized housing options (e.g. Board & Lodging, Board & Care, Residential Care)
Other market rate housing options (e.g. Board & Lodging, Board & Care, Residential Care)

Housing Options that *exceed demand*

None

What issues/barriers are currently most critical to overcome in order to ensure an appropriate supply of housing options for older persons and persons with disabilities in Aitkin County?

Provider rates

Highest Priority for Housing Development

To assure that future planning can meet the needs of the aging population.

Part 4: Long-Term Care Specialty Beds/services- Nursing Homes

Long Term Care Specialty Beds/Services that are *not available*

None

Long Term Care Specialty Beds/Services that are *limited*

Dementia care
Heavy care, complex medical management

Long Term Care Specialty Beds/Services that *exceed demand*

None

Issues/barriers most critical to overcome in order to ensure an appropriate supply of Nursing Home Specialty Beds/Services

Unsure

Top two barriers in Aitkin County to relocating persons from nursing homes into the community

We have been fortunate enough to relocate individuals when appropriate...